Season of Remembrance 16th November 2025 Led by Fiona Bennett & Carol Joyner

Welcome & Gathering

Call to worship:

One: God of the past ALL: Source of all being One: God of the present ALL: Saviour beside us One: God of the future ALL: Shaper of hope One: God beyond time

ALL: Holy three in one, we worship you.

Hymn: Sing for God's glory CH4 172

Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation Racing across the sky, trailing bright cloud of elation; Sun of delight, succeeds the velvet of night, Warming the earth's exaltation.

Sing for God's power that shatters the chains that would bind us Searing the darkness of fear and despair that could blind us Touching our shame, with love that will not lay blame Reaching out gently to find us.

Sing for God's justice disturbing each easy illusion, Tearing down tyrants and putting our pride to confusion; Lifeblood of right, resisting evil and slight, Offering freedom's transfusion.

Sing for God's saints who have travelled faith's journey before us; Who in our weariness give us their hope to restore us; In them we see, the new creation to be, Spirit of love made flesh for us.



Remembering is what we do together by Jan Richardson

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Prayer

Introduce Focusing Movement:

God of the past who has father and mothered us (point behind)
God of the future who is always ahead of us (point in front)

God of the future who is always ahead of us (point in tront)

God of the present, who is here in the midst of us (hands open)

God of all time, we offer you our worship and praise.

We unite our prayers together in the Jesus' Prayer or Lord's Prayer using the form or words which are most worshipful for us...

Source of Life,

Father and Mother of us all:

Creation honours you!

May your Realm of Justice & Joy

Sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another.

forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen

Time for all ages: St Margaret & the fisher woman

Hymn: Be still and know CH4 754

Be still and know that I am God, And there is none beside me. Be still and know that I am God, And there is none beside me.

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Readings read by Francis Nunez

Psalm 91

- 1 You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2 will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'
- 3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;
- 4 he will cover you with his pinions,

- and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- 5 You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day,
- 6 or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- 7 A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- 8 You will only look with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place,10 no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.
- 11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- 12 On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
- 14 Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.
- 15 When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them.
- 16 With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Luke 21:5-19

5 When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 6 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

7 They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' 8 And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

9 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' 10 Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; 11 there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

12 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. 13 This will give you an opportunity to testify. 14 So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; 15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. 16 You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. 17 You will be hated by all because of my name. 18 But not a hair of your head will perish. 19 By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Reflection & Meditation - Dr Carol Joyner

Offering & Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessing flow Praise God all creature here below Praise God above, You heavenly host Praise Maker Christ and Holy Ghost

Music: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561. Words: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Communion

Gathering:

Hymn: Come to the table of grace

Come to the table of grace Come to the table of grace This God's table it's not yours or mine Come to table of grace.

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Thanksgiving, Intercession & Blessing

One: We unite in prayer with followers of Jesus since the earliest times as we say:

God be with you

ALL: And with your spirit One: Lift up your hearts ALL: We lift them to God

One: Let us give thanks to God

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise

One: Holy Loving God,

For the universe you have crafted in all its variety and mystery

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: For the gift of Christ Jesus; vulnerable healer & guide

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: For your Salvation; love crucified and resurrected.

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: With people everywhere, past present and yet to come

ALL: We praise and thank you.

One: We offer you our thanks as we sing together...

Hymn: God bless to us our bread CH4 763

God bless to us our bread, And give bread to all those who are hungry and hunger for justice to all who are fed. God bless to us our bread.

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Song: This is the body of Christ CH4 799

Broken that we might be whole. This cup as promised by God, True to God's Word, Cradles our Lord Food the good of us all.

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Peace

Closing Response

One: Together we are nourished by Jesus' life.

ALL: We go to share his life and love.

Notices

Hymn: We sing a love CH4 622

We sing a love that sets all people free, That blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame, Enfold the earth, springs up like water clear: Come, living love, live in our hearts today. We sing a love that seeks another's good, That longs to serve and not to count the cost, A love that, yielding, finds itself made new: Come, caring love, line in our hearts today.

We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid
To be itself, despite another's wrath,
A love that stands alone and undismayed:
Come, strengthening love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love that, wandering, will not rest Until its finds its way, its home, its source, Through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed: Come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

We sing the Holy Spirit, full of love, Who seeks out scars of ancient bitterness, Brings to our wounds the healing grace of Christ: Come, radiant love live in our hearts today.

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Blessing & Sung Amen

What's on @ AUC this week?

Event	Date	Time	Location	Notes
Sunday Worship	Sun 16 th Nov	11am	AUC & Online	Fiona is leading and Carol is preaching
Post Service Zoom Social	Sun 16 th Nov	12 noon	Online	
Carbon Literacy Course	Sun 16 th Nov	12.45- 3.15pm	Sanctuary	The course is for people who want to understand the climate emergency and to learn what they can do to tackle it. For more information and to register you interest please email Katrina (katrina.tweedie@augustine.org .uk)
Contextual Bible Study	Wed 19 th Nov	7.30- 8.30pm	Online	vt1 Luke 21:25-36 Email <u>minister@augustine.org.uk</u> for the Zoom link
Contextual Bible Study	Thu 20 th Nov	12 noon - 1pm	Online	vt1 Luke 21:25-36 Email <u>minister@augustine.org.uk</u> for the Zoom link
Our Tribe: Transgender Day of Remembrance	Thu 20 th Nov	3.30- 5pm	Sanctuary	We will come together to remember and celebrate all those trans folk who are no longer with us. Following this event we will go to the TDOR Vigil in Bristo Square at 6pm.
Sunday Worship	Sun 23 rd Nov	11am	AUC & Online	Fiona is leading and Carol is preaching
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